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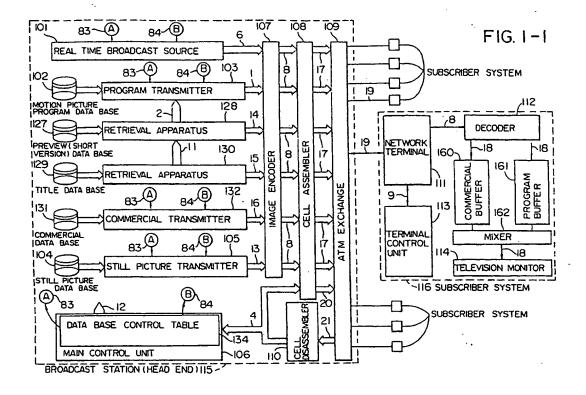
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(54) Multimedia bidirectional broadcast system.

(32) A multimedia bidirectional broadcast system including a broadcast station (115) and subscriber terminals (116). The broadcast station (115) includes a main control unit (106) having therein a data base control table (134) in which program and commercial down load sequences are recorded depending on a setting effected by a subscriber, a motion picture program data base (102), a commercial data base (131), a program transmitter (103) for effecting accesses and transmissions of transmission programs onto transmission lines based on the setting of the main control unit (106), a commercial transmitter (132) for accessing th commercial data base (131)

and for transmitting content thereof based on the setting of the main control unit (106), an imag encoder (107) for achieving a bandwidth compression on a video signal, a cell assembler (108) for processing data to be transmitted onto a broadband transmission line so as to generate a cell of the data, and an asynchronous transfer mode exchange (109) for delivering the cell to a subscriber system (116) associated therewith. Each of the subscriber systems (116) includes a network terminal (111), a terminal control unit (113), a decoder (112) to decode the compress d video signal, and a television monitor (114).

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